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United States Treasury Statement

We are indebted to our congressman, Hon. R. W. Davis, for mailing us a statement of the condition of the United States treasury, and the receipts and expenditures of the government on the 12th day of this month, which reached us Monday afternoon, which shows available cash balance, including gold reserve, on that day of \$282,835,-114.81. The excess of receipts over expenditures for the fiscal year amounted to \$20,191,122.14. The receipts from customs for fiscal fiscal year-that is from July 1, 1900 to year amounted to \$121,748,315.21; from internal revenue, \$161,267,-542.43; from miscellaheous, \$19,-481,824.53. Total expenditures for the fiscal year were \$282,306,560,03, as follows: Civil and miscellaneous, \$58,839,456.04; for war, \$83,507,-432.38; navy, \$30,233,610.29; Indians, \$5,334,223,53; pensions, \$78, 580,576.78; interest, \$25,811,261.01,

These figures are of some interest to our people and give an idea of the yearly business of the treasury department. It will be noted that the largest item in receiptsinternal revenue-has been very largely augmented by the war revenue tax, making that item far in excess of customs receipts.

Vaccination.

In another column this week will be found an open letter to the people of Florida from Dr. J. Y. Porter, state health officer, urging upon all people who have not been properly vaccinated the necessity of having the same attended to in order to prevent the dreaded disease of smallpox from obtaining any foothold in this state, as it has done in some of the southern states.

In the letter the doctor states that a large portion of the people of our state have already availed themselves of the opportunity of becoming immune to smallpox, but there are a great many yet who are liable to take it in its most virulent form if it should become epidemic, and we wish to emphasize the importance of the advice of our state health officer upon those of Gallie. our people to whom his remarks apply in order that our fair state may be as immune as possible to this disease.

It has been shown by the most carefully compiled statistics in foreign countries that in those sections where vaccination has been properly attended to that the disease is hardly known, while in most all countries where it is neglected the same appears in its most virulent and deadly type.

We feel that the press of the state is doing a great service in urging the people to take action in this matter, and we hope the advice of one whose opinions in health matters has proven so timely and beneficial heretofore will be duly regarded now by those to whom they apply.

Our Government Extravagant.

Representative David De Armond, of Missouri, presents some figures relative to he expenditures of the government that hht to arrest the attention of every eaughtful citizen. The government is evending a great deal more money than has been put in, besides having the stateat to. Just now it is collecting more

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In 1860, when our population was 31,-43,331, our appropriations for that year amounted to only a little more than \$63,-000,000. That was about \$2 per capita. In Paragraphs Personal and Newsy Briefs 1880 our population had increased to 50,-150,783, and our regular annual appropriations had grown to \$190,457,445.06. There does not seem to have been any satisfactory explanation for such a great increase. From these figures it will be seen that the expenditures had reached pretty nearly \$4 per capita. The population had increased only about 60 per cent. while the expenditures had increased close on to 300 per cent.

But notice what an extraordinary increase there has been since 1880: For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1899, the appropriations amount to \$546,302,802.29. Our population amounts probably to 75,-000,000, though that is a pretty high estimate. There has, therefore, in the twenty years covered by these figures, been an increase of 50 per cent. in our population and of 175 per cent. in our expenditures. And yet the Republican party is preparing, from all accounts, to still further increase the expenditures.

The question which presents itself is, how much more can the expenditures be increased before there will be an emphatic protest from the people? Mr. De Armond points out that as population increases there ought to be a decrease in the per capita of the expenditures. There are several reasons why this should be so, one of them being that this is "an era of invention and discovery and of economy in production and distribution." As a matter of fact, our regular annual appropriations now should not amount to more than \$150,000,000. The estimate for the next July 1, 1901—is \$738,855,220. Well may the people ask, what is to be the outcome of this extravagance? Mr. Bryan ought to announce, as one of the planks of the next Democratic national platform, opposition to extravagance in public expendi-

THE PROPOSED CANAL.

Investigating Committee at Work to Secure Levels of the Two Rivers.

About two weeks ago The STAR stated that the Jacksonville board of trade had taken up the subject of the proposed canal to connect the St. Johns river with Indian river on account of its tendency to interfere with navigation on the upper St. Johns.

On Wednesday of this week Capt. T. W. Lund, who has navigated Florida waters for years, gave the river and harbor committee of the Jacksonville board of trade the benefit of his long practical experience. In order that a full understanding of the situation may be had, the following outline of the proposed plan

At the headwaters of the St. Johns river, in Brevard county, is Lake Washington, and about five miles further is a big sawgrass lake. The St. Johns is navigable for small boats and canoes from Jacksonville to Lake Washington, and the finest fishing and hunting grounds in the state are along the banks of this remarkable river, which runs north for about three hundred miles. The contractors for the canal, under the state, have two objects in view, the main one being to reclaim swamp lands in that section of Brevard county, and to drain the sawgrass lake for sugar planting. The other and probably secondary one, is to connect the Indian river with the St. Johns river, and make, if possible, an inside passage from Miami to Jacksonville for pleasure craft and light-draft steamers with produce from the interior of the country. The connection with the Indian river is proposed to be made opposite Eau

The people along the part of the river navigated by steamboats and schooners have raised a vigorous objection, and in a communication to the Jacksonville board of trade some of them have declared that such an opening would be a menace to the navigation of the St. Johns river, claiming that it would lower the water at Volusia bar and prevent anything larger than very light-draft boats from reaching points now accessible.

An investigating committee of engineers and surveyors will be sent to take levels of the two waters, and if the Indian river shall be found lower, and that the St Johns will be drained by the opening of such a canal, the board will insist, through the legislature, that locks shall be established along the line of the canal, or that the scheme shall be abandoned.

It is understood that the contract to cut the canal has been awarded, and that a gang of men are already at work on the project.

Work on the Cocoa.

The work which is being done to the steamer Cocoa by the Merrill-Stevens Engineering company in Jacksonville has become more extensive than was at first anticipated and it is now expected that it will be fully sixty days more before she is completed, according to the Evening News, of that city. A new waist rooms and interior fittings entirely Main office and address, Tibbals, Florida.

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INDIAN RIVER RIPPLES.

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MIMS.

Mr. McFarland was out Wednesday exhibiting one of his tents.

There will be service Sunday morning at the church conducted by Rev. Mickler. A pleasant party sailed over to the Hanlover Tuesday morning, returning

Cane grinding has been going on at Joe Warren's the past week, and has attracted a number of visitors.

the same evening.

A surprise party planned for Mrs. C. S. Ballou last week was partially spoiled by the rain. Those who braved the storm reported a most enjoyable evening.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Ballou, of Boone, Iowa, arrived Monday evening. They expect to make a long visit, to the delight of their many friends who have not seen them for two years.

JUPITER

W. L. Widmeyer visited West Palm Beach one day this week.

Jas. Armour, Jr., has accepted a position with Capt. U. D. Hendrickson, at Lake Worth.

Hotel Royal Poinciana, Palm Beach, opened for its seventh season Monday with 80 guests.

The trade boat Merchant, of Cocoa, Capt. Michael, is with us again, and doing a good business.

Mrs. R. W. Boyer and daughters, Misses Minnie, Pearl and Rosebud Cuthbert, left Tuesday night for Miami, their old home.

Chas. W. Cerlin, Walter Michael and Jas. Armour, Jr., went down to attend the opening of the Hotel Royal Poinciana, at Palm Beach, Monday night.

W. C. Culbertson, Esq., of Cincinnati, is registered at the Carlin House. Mr. Culbertson is a famous fisherman and spends the best part of most every season

Will W. Joyner will "officiate" as clerk at the Palm Beach hotel, Palm Beach, Fla., which opened on the 17th under the management of Mr. C. A. Stone.

Wedding at Indianola.

Wedding bells pealed merrily at Indianola on Wednesday, the 17th inst, at the residence of Mr. Humphrys, when his daughter, Miss Carrie, and Mr. Clarence E. Richards, both of Columbus, O., were married at high noon, Rev. W. N. Chaudoin, of LaGrange, being called upon to perform the ceremony on this occasion. The groom is a member of the firm of Richards, McCarty & Bulford, architects, of Columbus, and the bride is the organist in the First Baptist church in that city and is a most estimable and lovely young lady. The happy couple departed yesterday on their honeymoon trip, first taking in Palm Beach. Their home will, of course, be in Columbus, but they will no doubt find it a pleasure to visit the Land of Flowers every winter season at least in future. The best wishes of The Star go with them.

T. J. Bockman, of New York, has become the owner by purchase of the famous Trimble orange grove, near Braidentown. Rumor places the price at \$25,000, which is cheap for such a magnificent property.

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Smallpox Protection.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, STATE BOARD OF HEALTH OF FLORIDA, JACKSONVILLE, FLA., Jan. 16, 1900.

Editor of The Florida Star:

Your co-operation is earnestly solicited in protecting the people of Florida against smallpox. Will you not use your influence in your section towards the stimulation of public sentiment in favor of vaccination? Urge it editorially in your columns. The state board of health has accomplished the vaccination of over 200,000 of the citizens of Florida in the past two years, but there yet remains many unprotected. Smallpox exists in various parts of the southern states, especially in Georgia and Alabama, and of a more malignant form than heretofore, and as fast as it is stamped out in one portion of Florida it is re-introduced. It is, therefore, respectfully urged that you will lend your aid towards the arousing of a public sentiment in favor of immediate vaccination. The state board of health will furnish vaccine virus to physicians free, where they vaccinate without charging for the operation. Very truly yours, Joseph Y. Porter,

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Weekly Weather Report. U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE WEATH-

ER BUREAU. Comparative statement of temperatures and rainfall for the week ending Tuesday,

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Total rainfall for the week, 1.03 inches, Departure from the normal rainfall for the week, plus .24 inch.

Departure from normal rainfall since Jan. 1st, 1900, plus .55 inch. HAL P. HARDIN,

Observer Wcather Bureau. Jupiter, Fla., Jan. 16, 1900.

There is more catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed ocal remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and, therefore, requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address,

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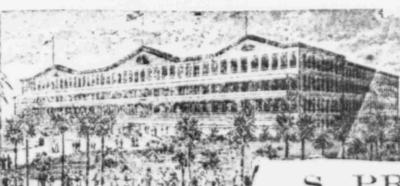
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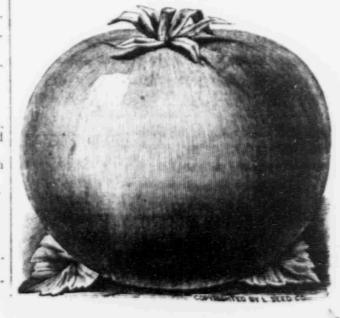
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